2005 LAWS OF MARYLAND

Article - Commercial Law

SUBTITLE 33. MARYLAND IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT ACT.

14-3301.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "CLIENT" MEANS A NONCITIZEN OR ANY PERSON OR ENTITY SEEKING TO SPONSOR A NONCITIZEN FOR WHOM AN IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT PERFORMS OR OFFERS TO PERFORM A SERVICE RELATING TO THE NONCITIZEN'S IMMIGRATION STATUS.
- (C) "IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT" MEANS A PERSON THAT PROVIDES NONLEGAL ADVICE, GUIDANCE, INFORMATION, OR SERVICES TO A CLIENT ON AN IMMIGRATION MATTER FOR A FEE.
- (D) "IMMIGRATION MATTER" MEANS ANY <u>LEGAL</u> PROCEEDING, FILING, OR ACTION THAT:
 - (1) AFFECTS THE IMMIGRATION STATUS OF A NONCITIZEN; AND
 - (2) ARISES UNDER:
- (I) $\underline{\text{ANY}}$ IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION LAW, EXECUTIVE ORDER, OR PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY: OR
- (II) AN ACTION OF THE <u>U.S. UNITED STATES</u> DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, THE <u>U.S. UNITED STATES</u> DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, THE <u>U.S. UNITED STATES</u> DEPARTMENT OF STATE, THE <u>U.S. UNITED STATES</u> DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OR THE <u>U.S. UNITED STATES</u> DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.
- (E) (1) "LEGAL SERVICES" MEANS THE LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF AN INDIVIDUAL.
- (2) "LEGAL SERVICES" INCLUDES PROVIDING FORMS TO AN INDIVIDUAL, COMPLETING OR FORMS ON BEHALF OF AN INDIVIDUAL, FILING FORMS FOR ON BEHALF OF AN INDIVIDUAL, ADVISING AN INDIVIDUAL TO FILE FORMS, OR APPLYING FOR A BENEFIT ON BEHALF OF AN INDIVIDUAL.
 - (F) "SECRETARIAL SERVICES" MEANS:
- (1) WRITING, TYPING, OR COPYING INFORMATION AS PROVIDED BY AN INDIVIDUAL; AND OR
- $\hspace{1.5cm} \textbf{(2)} \hspace{0.5cm} \textbf{TRANSLATING DOCUMENTS INTO ENGLISH FOR AN INDIVIDUAL.} \\ \textbf{14-3302}. \\$

THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO:

(1) AN ATTORNEY LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN THE STATE: